

Torrance, California.
January 10, 1933.

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF TORRANCE.

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Torrance, was held in the Council Chamber at Torrance, California, January 10th., 1933, and was called to order at 7:45 P.M. by Mayor Klusman.

The following Councilmen were present: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Ludlow, Wright and Klusman. ABSENT: COUNCILMAN: Conner.

Councilman Hitchcock moved that the minutes of the regular meeting of December 27th., 1932, be adopted. Councilman Ludlow seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Clerk Bartlett read communications from the General Petroleum Corporation and from the Chanslor-Ganfield Midway Oil Company calling attention to expense that would be incurred in the relocation of pipe lines required by the improvement of Torrance Boulevard. Councilman Ludlow moved that both of these communications be referred to the City Engineer and report back at the next meeting. Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

A communication was read from the County of Los Angeles, Bureau of County Welfare, with reference to a resolution to be passed by the Council of the City of Torrance covering compensation insurance responsibility in incorporated cities where labor is furnished and paid by the county, before men are placed to work. This is regarding the extension of Sepulveda Boulevard easterly from Hawthorne Avenue. Attorney Jensen read

RESOLUTION NO. 552

TO ASSUME ANY LIABILITY FOR WORKMEN'S
COMPENSATION.

Councilman Ludlow moved that Resolution No. 552 be adopted. Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion, which was duly carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Ludlow, Wright and Klusman. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMAN Conner.

At 8: P.M. Mayor Klusman called for bids for furnishing gasoline to the City of Torrance for twelve months, beginning on February 1st., 1933, and ending January 31st., 1934. The Clerk opened and read the following proposals:

UNION OIL COMPANY OF CALIFORNIA - UNION 76 GASOLINE - 13 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ per gallon, f.o.b. Torrance, exclusive of the Federal Excise Tax of 1¢ per gallon.

STANDARD OIL COMPANY OF CALIFORNIA - STANDARD GASOLINE - 13 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ per gallon, inc. State Tax.

ASSOCIATED OIL COMPANY - ASSOCIATED "FLYING A" GASOLINE - not to exceed 13 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ per gallon (including State tax). This bid does not include Federal Excise Tax of 1¢ per gallon on gasoline.

THE PETROL CORPORATION - "PING PROOF PETROL" GASOLINE - 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ per gallon.

GENERAL PETROLEUM CORPORATION OF CALIFORNIA - VIOLET RAY Gasoline, 14 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ per gallon including all tax.

THE TEXAS COMPANY - TEXACO FIRE-CHIEF GASOLINE - Maximum price of \$.135 per gallon, including State Tax but exclusive of Federal Tax.

THE TEXAS COMPANY - CALPET GREENLITE GASOLINE - \$.119 per gallon including State Tax, but exclusive of Federal Tax.

Councilman Ludlow moved we reject any and all bids and re-advertise for bids on a four months basis. Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion, after which the feasibility of a four months basis was discussed. A representative of the General Petroleum Corporation expressed his opinion that he did not believe the city would get a bid for the last four months of the year. Councilman Ludlow withdrew his motion, and Councilman Hitchcock withdrew his second. Councilman Ludlow moved these bids be held over and have them referred to the proper committee for recommendation and action at next meeting. Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Clerk Bartlett read a communication from the Union Oil Company of California advising that no permits to place pipe lines or conduits were issued and that no such pipe lines or conduits were constructed in the City of Torrance, by said Union Oil Company of California under said franchise, for the six months period ending December 31, 1932. A communication was also read from the Pan American Petroleum Company advising that no pipe lines were laid or removed by Pan American Petroleum Company under Ordinance No. 92 during the period from July 1st., 1932 to December 31st., 1932.

A communication from the Torrance Chamber of Commerce recommending that the changing of the present red zone (no parking) on Cabrillo Avenue, in front of the Chamber, to a green zone to allow for fifteen minute parking. Councilman Ludlow moved this be referred to the proper committee with power to act. Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Clerk Bartlett read a communication from the chairman, Police, Fire and Lights Committee recommending removal of Stop Signs at intersections of Cravens and Engracia Avenues, Manuel and Engracia Avenues, and Marcelina and Cravens Avenues and install Slow Signs and Slow Markers at each such intersection. Also to install Slow Sign and Slow Marker at intersection of Sartori and Cabrillo Avenues. Councilman Ludlow moved the adoption of this recommendation. Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion, which was duly carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Ludlow and Klusman. NOES: COUNCILMAN: Wright. ABSENT: COUNCILMAN: Conner.

A communication was read from the Pacific Electric Railway Company together with petition requesting that an ordinance be passed cancelling Torrance City Ordinance No. 100 which granted a franchise for a spur track across and along Border Avenue and 222nd. Street to serve the Western Sheet Glass Company. Attorney Jensen read

ORDINANCE NO. 239

AN ORDINANCE CANCELLING ORDINANCE NO. 100
GRANTING FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT SPUR TRACK
ACROSS AND ALONG BORDER AVENUE AND 222ND.
STREET IN THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA.

Councilman Wright moved Ordinance No. 239 be approved for its first reading. Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

A communication was called to the Council's attention from the League of California Municipalities giving the results of the state-wide meeting on Federal Taxation of States and State Agencies held in the City Hall, San Francisco, December 28, 1932, accompanied by a resolution that all cities officially adopt. Attorney Jensen read

RESOLUTION NO. 553.

REQUESTED BY - LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA MUNICIPALITIES
IN RE: FEDERAL TAXES - REVENUE ACT OF 1932.

Mayor Klusman explained that the Municipal League elected candidates, sent them to San Francisco and they met there in a body. Los Angeles and Long Beach sent a personal representative. The Mayor stated he sent in the name of the Council a request that whatever these representatives recommended would be favorable to us. Clerk Bartlett then read the communication from the League of California Municipalities.

Councilman Ludlow moved that resolution No. 553 be adopted. Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion, which was duly carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Ludlow, Wright and Klusman. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMAN: Conner.

Attorney Jensen reported with reference to a damaged tire brought to the attention of the Council in a letter from C.H. Pierce, and recommended that the city not pay the claim. Councilman Wright moved the claim be rejected. Councilman Ludlow seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Attorney Jensen reported with reference to the Telephone Company and the Southern California Gas Company not turning any revenues into the city, that they were operating under perpetual easements with the Dominguez Land Company granted some ten years before the streets were deeded to the City of Torrance.

Councilman Ludlow stated in regard to the budget it will be necessary to transfer \$4000.00 from the unallocated fund to the unemployment fund and moved that the Clerk be authorized to amend the budget by transferring \$4000.00 from the unallocated fund to the unemployment fund. Councilman Wright seconded the motion, which was duly carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Ludlow, Wright and Klusman. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMAN: Conner.

Councilman Ludlow called attention to the fact that we have

spent only 49.5% of the budget. He also called attention to the fact that to January 1st., 1933, \$60,937.90 had been borrowed, \$1084.53 interest on this amount, and have paid back \$60,890.74 which leaves about \$36.00.

Councilman Ludlow moved that the Water report compiled by the City Engineer be placed on file with the City Clerk. Councilman Wright seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Councilman Ludlow called for a report on drinking fountains. Clerk Bartlett reported he had looked into this matter and found the Water Company would connect them to the water lines and charge a metered rate of \$1.25 per month for each fountain. The contemplated locations are one near Earl's Cafe, one near the First National Bank, one near Dolley Drug Company and one near the City Hall. The approximate cost will be \$25.00 or \$30.00 a piece. Councilman Ludlow stated we would like to have a little more time and report at next meeting.

Councilman Ludlow brought up the matter of the need for a road through the General Petroleum property to connect with Cedar Street and moved that the City Clerk and City Engineer be instructed to communicate with the General Petroleum Corporation relative to securing such road. Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously. The City Clerk was instructed to address a letter to the Torrance Chamber of Commerce requesting that the Chamber cooperate in the matter of securing this road connection.

Mayor klusman stated at the next meeting of Los Angeles County League of Municipalities to be held on the 12th. of January at Pasadena, the Gasoline tax question comes up, to which meeting he was going to be present.

Mayor klusman stated that he had succeeded in having a joint meeting of the entire Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Sewer District called for January 11, 1933.

Councilman Ludlow asked for the tentative plans for the park be laid before the Council.

Oral Communications:

Mr. Dowd of Walteria requested that a fire plug be located on Hawthorne Avenue between Center and 238th. Streets as there was no fire protection to property in that vicinity. Councilman Hitchcock moved that this be referred to the proper committee with power to act. Councilman Ludlow seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Ludlow, Wright and klusman. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMAN: Conner.

Councilman Wright was excused at 9:50 P.M.

Attorney Jensen reported that the venema damage suit had been settled for \$100.00.

Councilman Ludlow moved that warrants be drawn for all bills properly audited. Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion, which was duly carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Ludlow and klusman. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: Conner and Wright.

Councilman Ludlow moved that the meeting be adjourned. Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 9:55 P.M.

A. H. B. B. B.
City Clerk of the City of Torrance.

Approved:

M. H. Klusman
Mayor of the City of Torrance.